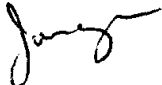


CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
Office of the City Manager
Letter to Commission No. 300-2004



To: Mayor David Dermer and
Members of the City Commission

Date: November 29, 2004

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez 
City Manager

Subject: RESIDENTIAL ALARM PROTOCOL

This letter to the City of Miami Beach Commission is to provide information relative to recommended notification priorities for residents and renters to notify their respective alarm companies upon activation of their alarm.

In keeping with our Department's commitment to reduce the police response time to activated residential alarm calls, the following interventions are recommended to home owners and renters. The home owner or renter is encouraged to notify their alarm company that when an alarm is activated the Miami Beach Police Department (MBPD) should be the first to be notified, prior to notifying any other party including the homeowner. If a false alarm is activated after the third time in a twelve month period, the MBPD will waive the fine until March 1, 2005. It is projected that based on our current rate of fine revenue of \$400 per month, that approximately \$1200 in lost revenue will be realized over the three month grace period. The intent of this provision is to educate Miami Beach residents and renters in an effort to limit residential burglaries.

Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Mr. Al Childress of our Records Management Section at 305-673-7100.

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